

Teaching Notes

Response to Human Trafficking

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Important Points to Remember:

- >5800 churches from >45 countries participate in Freedom Sunday this year
- At least 36 million slaves in the world today
- \$96 billion is annually made off the buying and selling of human beings.
- Slavery is in our closets, our cupboards, and our kitchens.
- Approximately 300,000 domestic minor sex slaves in the U.S. today. (Florida is in the top 4!)

Slavery can be defined as:

1. People held by _____ under the threat of _____.
2. People who are unable to _____.
3. People who are forced to do things they _____.

Luke 4:16-21 (NIV)

¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”^[a]

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

What can we do?

1. Treat _____ the same. (Matthew 7:12)
2. Get _____ and _____.
3. Pray
4. Do not _____. (John 8:6-11)
5. Remember and talk about what _____ and what’s _____.
6. Give of our _____.

Proverbs 31:8-9

“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,
for the rights of all who are destitute.
Speak up and judge fairly;
defend the rights of the poor and needy.”

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Trafficking hotline: 1-888-373-7888

- ICCM Ethiopia is beginning to partner with a Free Methodist church in Addis Ababa that reaches out to 50 of the most destitute orphans, vulnerable children, and their families who are at-risk of child labor and sex work. ICCM sponsorship will support these children through access to education, food and health care, creating a ripple effect that benefits the children’s welfare, their families, and their communities. Freedom Sunday funds will also provide trafficking awareness education for all involved in the project.
- St. John's Home for Roma Girls in Bulgaria is led by Free Methodist missionaries Chance & Dee Dee Galloway, who seek to create a safe and secure family environment for Roma girls who are highly at-risk to exploitation and trafficking.
- Mission Plants in Portland, Wichita, and Atlanta are led by Set Free Movement leaders, who are working towards creating holistic freedom, addressing racial reconciliation, relieving poverty, and intervening in human trafficking in these broken urban areas.